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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I urge you to NOT support the US TELECOM petition. It will hurt too many users. I deeply value having a greater variety of choices that can better ensure my needs for my business exchanges and other communications. Broadband is critical to my home and business. This petition will lead to price hikes that will increase the cost of internet and telephone services and potentially limit accessibility to people will not be able to afford them. A monopoly of having one or two providers will lead to these businesses manipulating the service to advance their needs versus serving the public. It cripples any kind of innovation in serving the vast array of users who have specific needs and desires for their communications.

I urge you to please NOT to support this petition.

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